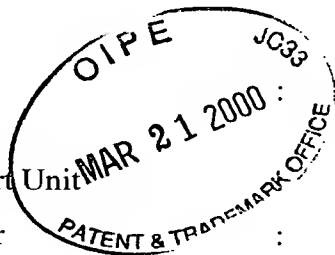


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As the attorney of record in the above-identified application, I hereby declare that Figs. 1 - 7 submitted with the Preliminary Amendment filed December 3, 1998 are the same material incorporated by reference in this application. Specifically, the application incorporates by reference the entire disclosure including the specification, drawings and abstract of Japanese Patent Application No. HEI 9-169007 filed June 25, 1997 (JP '007). Figs. 1 - 7 submitted with the Preliminary Amendment are the same as Figs. 1 - 7 of JP '007.

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